APPENDIX III.

[*Vide* answer to unstarred question No. 30 asked by Dr. A. Sreenivasan at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 2nd August 1955, page 16 *supra*.]

(*a*) The amount of money expended year by year for the development of rural water supplies from 1953–54 upto-date;	(*a*) (i) 1953–54 .. .. RS. 28,14,701 (ii) 1944–55 39,81,800
(*b*) the nature of improvements done to rural water supplies;	(*b*) Mainly sinking of new wells and improvements and repairs to the existing public wells, and also provision of overhead tanks and pipes in panchayat areas in stray cases.
(*c*) the number of new wells sunk, the number of old wells improved, the number of wells in which fresh water was struck, the number of wells in which water was not struck and the number of wells actually put in use and that are now in use;	(*c*) see table below
(*d*) the number of wells sunk or dug in private properties; and	(*d*) see table below
(*e*) the technical and administrative authorities who are responsible for the expenditure of money on the improvement of rural water supplies.	(*e*) The works are sanctioned by Collectors, after getting technical approval of the site plan by the District Health Officer and after obtaining expert opinion from the Industries Department where trial boring is necessary. The execution of works is supervised by the Revenue Divisional Officer assisted by the Tahsildars and the Minor Irrigation staff. The Minor Irrigation Overseers record measurements on execution and Minor Irrigation Supervisors checkmeasure these works. In some cases the works are checkmeasured by Tahsildars and also by Revenue Divisional Officers. Major works will in future be checkmeasured by the Assistant Engineer (Public Health) recently appointed. The bills are passed by the Revenue Divisional Officers.

	1953–54.	1954–55.
(*c*) Number of new wells sunk.	1,382	422
Number of old wells improved.	325	39
Number of wells in which fresh water was struck.	1,617	401
Number of wells in which fresh water was not struck.	90	60
Number of wells actually put in use and	1,617	401
that are now in use.	1,617	401
(*d*) Number of wells sunk or dug on private properties.	48	58